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The life of one who explores the mysteries of the sea, is not more perilous than fasinating. The charm of terror hangs around it, and the interminable succession of exciting events renders it dear to its professor. Not to the common diver of the East, who can remain but for a fraction of time beneath the wave, and grope fearfully among rugged ocean-mounds, but to the adept in the civilized mode of diving, who, in his protective armor, may remain submerged for hours, and wander, with impunity, for miles along those unknown regions far below the sea. To him are laid open the horrors of the watery creation, and he may gaze upon such scenes as Arabian story tells us were presented to the fearful eyes of Abdallah. To him the most thrilling occurrences of the upper world seem frivolous; for, in his memory, he retains thoughts that may well chill the soul with dread.

I am a diver—a diver from choice—and I am proud of my profession. Where is such courage required as is needed here? It is nothing to be a soldier: a diver, however—but I forbear. I will tell my story, and leave others to judge concerning it.

An appalling shipwreck occured, not long ago, upon the wildest part of the coast of Newfoundland. The tidings of this calamity reached the ears of thousands; but, amid the crowd of accidents which followed in quick succession, it was soon forgotten. Not by us, however, We found that the vessel had sunk upon a spot where the water's depth was by no means great, and that a daring man might easily reach her.

She was a steamer called the Marmion, and had been seen going suddenly down, without an instant's warning, by some fishermen near by.

She had, undoubtedly, struck a rock, and had thus been, in one moment, destroyed.

I spoke to my associates of the plan, and they approved it. No time was lost in making the necessary preparations, and a short time beheld us embarked in our small schooner for the sunken ship. There were six of us, and we anticipated extraordinary success.

I was the leader, and generally ventured upon any exploit in which there was uncommon danger. Not that the others were cowards; on the contrary, they were all brave men, but I was gifted with a coolness and presence of mind of which the others were destitute. As two persons were needed, in order to explore the Marmion, I had selected as my companion a young fellow, whose steadiness and dauntless conrage had several times before been fearfully tested.

It was a calm and pleasant day, but the southern and eastern horizon looked deceitful. Small suspicious clouds were gathered there, ill of aspect, and "sneaking fellows, regular hang-dog fellows," as my comrade, Rimmer, remarked to me. Nevertheless, we were not to be put off by a little cloudiness in the sky, but boldly prepared to venture.

So deep was the water, that no vestige of a ship's mast remained above the surface, to point out the resting place of the Marmion. We were compelled, therefore, to select the scene of operations according to the best of our ability. Down went the sails of our schooner, and Rimmer and I put on our diving armor. We fixed on our helmets tightly, and screwed on the hose. One by one each clumsy article was adjusted. The weights were hung, and we were ready.

"It looks terrible blackish, Berton," said Rimmer to me.

"Oh," I replied gaily, "it's only a little mist—all right!"

"Ah!" He uttered a low exclamation, which sounded hollow from his cavernous helmet,

"All ready," I cried, in a loud voice, which they, however, could not easily distinguish. Then making a proper sign, I was swung over the side.

Down we went, I first, and Rimmer close behind me. It did not take a long time for us to reach the bottom. We found ourselves upon what seemed a broad plain, sloping downward, toward the south, and rising slightly, toward the north. Looking forward then, a dim, black object arose, which our experienced eyes knew to be a lofty rock.

I motioned to Rimmer that we should proceed there.

I cannot tell the strangeness of the sensation felt by one who first walks the bottom of the sea.

There are a thousand objects fitted to excite astonishment, even in the mind of him who has dared the deed a hundred times. All around us lay the plain, covered by water; but here the eye could not pierce far away, as in the upper air, for the water, in the distance, grew opaque, and seemed to fade away into misty darkness. There was no sound, except the incessant gurgle which was produced by the escape of air from the breast valve, and the plash caused by our passage through the waters; we walked on at a good pace, for this armor, which seems so clumsy up above, is excellent below, and offers little inconvenience to the practised wearer.

Fishes in crowds were around us. Fishes of every shape and size met our eyes, no matter where they turned. They swam swiftly by us; they sported in the water above us; they raced and chased one another, in every direction. Here a shoal of porpoises tumbled along in clumsy gambols, there a grampus might be seen rising slowly to the surface; here an immense number of smaller fish flashed past us, there some huge ones, with ponderous forms, floated in the water lazily. Sometimes three or four placed themselves directly before us, staring at us, and solemnly working their gills. There they would remain, till we came close up to them, and then, with a start, they would dart away.

All this time we were walking onward, along the bottom of the sea, while above us, like a black cloud in the sky, we could see our boat slowly moving onward upon the surface of the water. And now, not more than a hundred yards before us, we could see the towering form of that ebony rock which had at first greeted our eyes from afar. As yet, we could not be certain that this was the place where the Marmion had struck. But soon a round, black object became discernable, as we glanced at the rocky base.

Rimmer struck my arm, and pointed. I signed assent, and we moved onward more quickly.

A few moments elapsed: we had come nearer to the rock. The black object now looked like the stern of a vessel whose hull lay there.

Suddenly, Rimmer struck me again and pointed upward Following the direction of his hand, I looked up, and saw the upper surface of the water all foamy and in motion. There was a momentary thrill through my heart, but it passed over. We were in a dangerous condition. A storm was coming on!

But should we turn back now, when we were so near the object of our search? Already it lay before us. We were close beside it No, I would not. I signalized to Rimmer to go forward, and we still kept on our course.

Now the rock rose up before us, black, rugged, dismal. Its rough sides were worn by the action of the water, and in some places were covered by marine plants, and nameless ocean vegetation. We passed onward, we clambered over a spur which jutted from the cliff, and there lay the steamer.

The Marmion—there she lay upright, with everything still standing. She had gone right down, and had settled in such a position, among the rocks, that she stood upright, just as though she lay at her wharf. We rushed eagerly along and clambered up her side. There was a low moan in the water, which sounded warningly in our ears, and told of a swift-approaching danger. What was to be done, must be done speedily. We hurried forward. Rimmer rushed to the cabin I went forward to descend into the hold. I descended the ladder. I went into the engineer's room. All was empty here, all was water The waves of the ocean had entered, and were sporting with the works of man. I went into the freight-room. Suddenly, I was startled by an appalling noise upon the deck. The heavy footsteps of some one running, as though in mortal fear, or most dreadful haste, sounded in my ears. Then my heart throbbed wildly, for it was a fearful thing to hear, far down in the silent depths of the ocean.

Pshaw! it's only Rimmer.

I hurriedly ascended to the deck by the first outlet that appeared. When I speak of hurry, I speak of the quickest movement possible when cumbered with so much armor. But this movement of mine was quick; I rushed upwards; I sprang out on the deck.

It was Rimmer!

He stepped forward and clutched my arm. He pressed it with a convulsive grasp, and pointed to the cabin.

I attempted to go there.

He stamped his foot, and tried to hold me back. He pointed to the boat, and implored me, with frantic gestures, to go up.

It is appalling to witness the horror-struck soul trying to express itself by signs. It is awful to see these signs when no face is plainly visible, and no voice is heard. I could not see his face plainly, but his eyes, through his heavy mask, glowed like coals of fire.

"I will go!" I exclaimed. I sprang from him. He clasped his hands together, but dared not follow.

Good heavens! I thought, what fearful thing is here? What scene can be so dreadful as to paralyze the soul of a practiced diver. I will see for myself.

I walked forward. I came to the cabin-door. I entered the forward saloon, but saw nothing. A feeling of contempt came to me. Rimmer shall not come with me again, I thought. Yet I was awe-struck. Down in the depth of the sea there is only silence—oh, how solemn! I paced the long saloon which had echoed with the shrieks of the drowning passengers. Ah! there are thoughts which sometimes fill the soul, which are only felt by those to whom scenes of sublimity are familiar. Thus thinking, I walked to the after-cabin and entered—

Oh, God of heaven!

Had not my hand clenched the door with a grasp which mortal terror had made convulsive, I should have fallen to the floor. I stood nailed to the spot. For there before me stood a crowd of people—men and women—caught in the last death struggle by the overwhelming waters, and fastened to the spot, each in the position in which death had found him. Each one had sprung from his chair at the shock of the sinking ship, and, with one common emotion, all had started for the door. But the waters of the sea had been too swift for them. Lo! then—some wildly grasping the table, others the beams, others the sides of the cabin—there they all stood. Near the door was a crowd of people, heaped upon one another—some on the floor, others rushing over them—all seeking, madly, to gain the outlet. There was one who sought to clamber over the table, and still was there, holding on to an iron post. So strong was each convulsive grasp, so fierce the struggle of each with death, that their hold had not yet been relaxed; but each one stood and looked frantically to the door.

To the door—good God! To me—to me they were looking! They were glancing at me, all those dreadful, those terrible eyes! Eyes in which the fire of life had been displaced by the chilling gleam of death. Eyes which still glared like the eyes of the maniac, with no expression They froze me with their cold and icy stare.—They had no meaning; for the soul had gone And this made it still more horrible than it could have been in life; for the appalling contortion of their faces, expressing fear, horror, despair, and whatever else the human soul may feel, contrasting with the cold and glassy eyes, made their vacancy yet more fearful. He upon the table seemed more fiendish than the others; for his long black hair was disheveled, and floated horribly down—and his beard and mustache, all loosened by the water, gave him the grimaces of a demon Oh, what horror and torture! what unutterable agonies appeared in the despairing glance of those faces—faces twisted into spasmodic contortions, while the souls that lighted them were writhing and struggling for life

I heeded not the dangerous sea which, even when we touched the steamer, slightly rolled Down in these awful depths the swell would not be very strong, unless it should increase with ten-fold fury above. But it had been increasing though I had not noticed it, and the motion of the water began to be felt in these abysses Suddenly the steamer was shaken and rocked by the swell.

At this the hideous forms were shaken and fell The heaps of people rolled asunder. That demon on the table seemed to make a spring directly towards me. I fled, shrieking—all were after me. I thought I rushed out, with no purpose but to escape and rise.

My weights could not be loosened—I pulled at them with frantic exertions, but could not loosen them. The iron fastenings had grown stiff. One of them I wrested off in my convulsive efforts, but the other still kept me down. The tube, also, was lying down still in my passage-way through the machine room. I did not know this until I had exhausted my strength, and almost my hope in vain efforts to loosen the weight, and still the horror of that scene in the cabin rested upon me.

Where was Rimmer? The thought flashed across me. He was not here. He had returned. Two weights lay near, which seemed thrown off in great haste. Yes, Rimmer had gone. I looked up; there lay the boat, tossing and rolling among the waves.

I rushed down into the machine-room, to go back, so as to loosen my tube. I had gone through passages carelessly, and this lay there, for it was unrolled from above as I went on. I went back in haste to extricate myself; I could stay here no longer; for if all the gold of Golconda was in the vessel, I would not stay in company with the dreadful dead!

Back—fear lent wings to my feet. I hurried down the stairs, into the lower hold once more and retraced my steps through the passages below I walked back to the place into which I had first descended. It was dark; a new feeling of horror shot through me; I looked up. *The aperture was closed!*

Heavens! was it closed by mortal hand? Had Rimmer, in his panic flight, blindly thrown down the trap door, which I now remembered to have been open when I descended? or had some fearful being from the cabin—that demon who sprung toward me!

I started back in terror.

But I could not wait here; I must go: I must escape from this den of horrors. I sprang up the ladder, and tried to raise the door. It resisted my efforts; I put my head against it, and tried to raise it; the rung of the ladder broke beneath me, but the door was not raised. My tube came down through it and kept it partly open, for it was a strong tube, and kept strongly expanded by close-wound wire.

I seized a bar of iron, and tried to pry it up: I raised it slightly, but there was no way to get it up further. I looked around, and found some blocks; with these I raised the heavy door, little by little, placing a block in, to keep what I had gained. But the work was slow, and laborious, and I had worked a long while before I had raised four inches.

The sea rolled more and more. The submerged vessel felt its power, and rocked. Suddenly it wheeled over, and lay upon its side.

I ran around to get on the deck above, to try to lift the door. But when I came to the other outlet, I knew it was impossible; for the tube would not permit me to go so far, and then I would rather have died a thousand deaths than have again ventured again so near the cabin.

I returned to the fallen door; I sat down in despair and waited for death. I saw no hope of escape. This, then was to be my end.

But the steamer gave a sudden lurch, again acted upon by the waves. She had been balanced upon a rock, in such a way that a slight action of the water was sufficient to tip her over.

She creaked, and groaned, and labored, and then turned upon her side.

I rose; I clung to the ladder; I pressed the trap-door open, while the steamer lay with her deck perpendicular to the ground. I sprang out and touched the bottom of the sea. It was in good time; for in a moment after, the mass went over back again.

Then, with a last effort, I twisted the iron fastening of the weight which kept me down; I jerked it. It was loosed, it broke, it fell. In a moment I began to ascend, and in a few minutes I was floating on the water—for the air which is pre ssed down for the diver's consumption constitutes a buoyant mass, which raises him up from the sea.

Thanks to heaven! There was the strong boat with my bold, brave men They felt me rising; they saw me, and came and saved me.

Rimmer had fled from the horrid scene when I entered the cabin, but remained in the boat to lend his aid. He never went down again, but became a sea captain. As for me, I still go down but only in vessels whose crews have been saved.

It is needless to say that the Marmion was never again visited.

Total Destruction of Covent Garden Theatre.

At an early hour on Wednesday morning, the 5th of February, a calamitous fire originated in Covent Garden Theatre, which speedily reduced to a mass of shapeless ruins that magnificent building. During the whole night the theatre had been the scene of a *Bal Masque*, under the management of Professor Anderson, and so called Wizard of the North, and the revels of the dancers had not concluded when the conflagration broke out. The theatre was well filled throughout the evening, and the entertainments were kept up with the vigor which generally characterizes such recreations. Many of the dancers left between two and three in the morning; others remained much later; and as 5 o'clock approached, not more than two hundred persons were assembled in front of the temporary orchestra, which on this occasion was thrown back to the extreme end of the stage. The last orgie was completed, and Mr. Anderson observing the flagging spirits of his guests; gave the signal to the master of the ceremonies to close the revels with the usual finale of "God save the Queen." At this moment a man, who was engaged in conversation with Castle the fireman, observed a bright light shining through the chinks and crevices of the flooring in the carpenter's shop high over-head In an instant both of them left the stage and hastened toward the point of danger.

Neither their departure or errand had been observed, and the crowd below them still kept up the chorus to the music of the national anthem.

The carpenter's shop extended, with the exception of a comparatively small space devoted to the scene painters, from one end to the other of the building and lay between the ornamental ceiling and roof of the theatre. Through an open sprce in the floor of this *atelier* the central chandelier was lighted. When the two men entered the place they were nearly suffocated by the dense black smoke. Castle threw himself on his hands and knees and endeavored to crawl toward a smouldering heap which he observed near the center of the workshop. The smoke was, however, too much for him, and he was compelled to make a speedy retreat without having been able to open the fire mains on the floor. Decending to the "flies" he succeeded in turning on the mains, but before he could fix the hose the fire falling from the workshop above overtook him and drove him to the next "flies." The imminent peril was now evident to him. He saw the fire had obtained a mastery which could not be controlled, and his next step was to cut away the scenery most likely to be affected by the increasing fire. The orchestra had not ceased playing the national anthem when the sudden descent upon the stage of one of the beams round which part of the scenery was rolled, gave the first intimation of danger to the assemblage below.

Mr. Anderson himself was the first to give the alarm of "Fire!" and the terror and tumult that this announcement occasioned, may readily be imagined. The few remaining masquers rushed the various entrances, of which the police, ready presence of mind, took possession, and were thus enabled to rescue from their selfish alarm of many of their stronger sex their terror-stricken partners. Several women were trampled on and some were carried out fainting, but none were seriously injured. There was something hideous in this sudden change from mad revelry to ghastly fear. Already the rush of air towards the roof had fanned the fire into brighter life and fiercer energy. Wreaths of white smoke, with here and there a lambent flame, began to curl from under the proscenium into the body of the theatre. The musicians leaped from their seats and fled, in many cases without saving their cherished instruments,

The interior of the theatre was immediately filled with visitors. There was no time for thought or plan. The flames rushed forward, and whirling round the interior made it at once their own. The police, it is only right to say, behaved with great coolness and courage. A body of officers under the direction of Superintendent Durkin took early possession of the various doors and entrances, and by judicious management prevented the excited multitude from forcing their way madly into the burning house.

The proceeds of the night, which lay in the treasury, were rescued from danger. Mr. Anderson then devoted himself to assisting Mr. Ponteau, treasurer of the theatre, and private secretary to Mr Guy, in saving certain valuable documents and private papers from Mr. Guy's room, a labor in which Mr. E. T. Smith, lessee of Drury Lane Theatre, also rendered the most energetic aid,

It was now hardly 6 o'clock, and yet in the few minutes which had elapsed the doom of the theatre was sealed. The flames had burst through the roof, sending high up into the air columns of fire, which threw into bright reflection every tower and spire within the circuit of the metropolis. The glare operated as a speedy messenger in bringing up the fire engines, which now proceeded from every quarter of London at a tearing gallop to the scene of the conflagration.—There was no want of water; but neither engines nor water were of any avail in saving the property. The theatre blazed within its four hollow walls like a furnace, and at 5½ o'clock the roof fell in with a tremendous crash. Showers of fiery sparks and burning charcoal were thrown up and then poured down upon the streets, which were now crowded with people.

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James King of William.

In respect to the memory of JAMES KING OF WILLIAM, the Editor of the *Evening Bulletin*, who died on Tuesday last, the columns of this paper are placed in the habilaments of mourning. It behooves us little to speak of the causes which brought about an event so intensely exciting in its character, and which moved the whole heart of the people to such an extent as the last few days have demonstrated. They are familiar to all, have become as household words, and will never be effaced from the tablets of the memory. When Mr. King assumed the onerous and thankless duty which an editorial life imposes, his success was looked upon as problematical. The bold and fearless manner, however, in which he discussed the subjects which formed his editorials, soon attracted attention. His freedom of thought and action, insensibility to fear, earnestness of purpose, and determination to attain success in his new and peculiar vocation, soon won for him an host of friends, who up to the time of his death assisted and cheered him on. In many of the positions taken by the lamented gentleman of whom we write, when discussing men and things, we never did and do not now agree, and that difference of opinion, as expressed through this paper, served to interrupt the enjoyment of an intercourse at all times pleasurable.

As a writer, Mr. King never had his equal in California, and it is a matter of doubt if the world can produce an example similar in its nature. In him we saw a man coming from the ranks of the people, entirely unknown in his new field of enterprise, impressing the heart, feeling and sentiment of the masses, the lineaments of his face and the attributes of his character only known through the columns of his journal, attaining a position of so high and ennobling a nature, that, when it is known the hand can no longer grasp the pen which gave light to his thoughts and views, when the eyes which daily sought some new sphere of labor, are closed, and the heart which throbbed and pulsated in its endeavors to produce beneficial effects for all classes and conditions, ceased to beat, the people of a great State weep for his memory in unison. His death at this time, when a career of usefulness and honor were opening before him, and when his energies were most required to assist in bringing back to its old position of prosperity, the city in which he lived, is to be deplored. But he has gone, and "the places which once knew him shall know him no more forever." He has left behind him a family, whose only legacy is his good name and a memory revered. To the State he bequeathed them as the breath of life was but lingering on his lips. May their claims to beneficence never be disregarded. May God protect the WIDOW AND THE ORPHANS.

The Fire Department.

The display of the firemen on the occasion of the funeral of Mr. King, was a most creditable one, and gave great satisfaction. The annexed which we take from the *Chronicle* gives the number of men, in the line as it turned Montgomery into Bush street. The arrival of the steamer caused about one hundred to leave the ranks. It is seldom the department is so fully represented. "The display of the Engine and Hook and Ladder companies was very fine. They were all dressed in black, having the citizen's dress in full, with badges on their breasts and crape on their arms, like the other bodies. They were preceded by James E. Nuttman, the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department of the city. Then followed the various Engine Companies, marching four abreast in the following order: First, the Empire Company No. 1' forty men, then the Manhattan Company No. 2, twenty-six men; then the Howard Company No. 3, seventy-four men, bearing their banner, upon one side of which the name of the Company was inscribed, and upon the other the motto, "We shrink not from danger." Next came the California Company No. 4, forty men; then the Knickerbocker Company No. 5, thirty men; then the Monumental Company No. 6, seventy men, with their banner, representing on one side the beautiful city of Baltimore, the Monumental City, and on the other the goddess Minerva, &c. Then followed the Volunteer Company No. 7, forty men; then the Pacific Company No. 8, forty-two men; then Vigilant Company No. 9, fifty men; then the Columbian Company No. 11, twenty men; then Pennsylvania Company No. 12, twenty-four men; then the Young America company No. 13, ten men; and then Tiger Company No. 14, thirty-five men. They were followed by the Hook and Ladder Companies as follows; the St. Francis Company No. 1, twelve men; the Layfaette Company No. 2, twenty-five men, and the Sansome Company No. 3, thirty men."

Actions by the Press.

At a meeting of the Press of this city, held on Wednesday afternoon, in the Chamber of the Board of Aldermen, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted, in regard to the death of James King of William, and ordered published in the city papers:

WHEREAS, The distinguished man, for whose untimely death our city is now clothed in mourning, was during the latest period of his life, a member of the editorial profession; and, in dying, offered himself as a martyr to the liberty of the press; Therefore,

Resolved, That the members of the editorial profession of this city, here gathered, consider the melancholy death, by assassination, of James King of Wm., not only as a deplorable calamity to the profession at large, but as a fearful disaster to the glorious cause of freedom of the press and of speech.

Resolved, That in the assassination and death of James King of Wm., a blow has been struck at society, the virtue of the citizen, and all good government.

Resolved, That as members of the same profession, as well as individuals and citizens, we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased, in this their hour of anguish.

Resolved, That as a token of respect, the members of the editorial fraternity of this city will attend the funeral of Mr. King in a body.

Resolved, That our Secretary be requested to transmit a copy of these resolutions to the family of the deceased; and that they be published in the city papers

Fires.

By the arrival of the "Golden Age," we learn that several very destructive fires have taken place in the Atlantic cities. At Galena, on the 31st of March, property to the amount of $800,000 was destroyed. In Philadelphia, the Artisan's Building was burned, which, together with other property, involved a loss of $350,000. In Boston, the Gerrish Market was destroyed, and other property to the amount of $200,000. In Baltimore, on the 6th of April, a fire broke out at 266 Baltimore street, and before it was subdued destroyed property to the value of $200,000. —the four fires making a grand total of $1,050,000.

Board of Delegates.

An adjourned stated meeting of the Board was held on Wednesday evening last, May 21st; President Franklin L. Jones in the chair.

The following members present:—Messrs. Heydenfeldt, Boruck, Hixon, Vreeland, Titcomb, Moore, Simons, Whalen, Finnegan, Maillott, Mahony.

There not being a quorum, the Board adjourned until Wednesday evening next, May 28th.

MOBILE.—Torrent Engine Co. No. 5, of Mobile, has a new engine, built by Jeffers, of Pawtucket, which gives great satisfaction. She has 10-inch cylinders, larger than those of any other engine in the place. The first time she was tried she threw an 1¼-inch stream 182 feet; and since then has played one stream, through 100 feet of hose, ¾-inch nozzle, over the Custom House derrick, which is 137 feet, and two streams over the Battle House, which is over 85 feet high. Mr. Jeffers was in Mobile at the time, and received an order from Neptune Co. No. 2 for an engine of the same size as No. 5.

The following, relative to the Mobile Fire Department, will be interesting to our readers here:—

Firemen's Anniversary.

Yesterday was a lovely day for the anniversary celebration of the Fire Department. Only one thing marred it—the dust. In parts of the route the whole procession was covered as with a cloud To the city, idly looking on, this was annoying; but the firemen make light of such small matters.

The procession was like those which have preceded it—full of stout-hearted men and elegant engines, decorated most tastefully. The crowd of spectators, we think, was greater than at any previous celebration—which was, perhaps, in some measure due to the fact that the day was the warmest of the season, and every man, woman and child seemed to think that an excuse for leaving serious matters at home and swelling the pageant. The theatre was crowded, but there were persons enough waiting outside to fill it at least four times. The truth is, this anniversary is *the* fetè day of Mobile. Neither Christmas, nor New Year's, nor Independence day, nor any other day, attracts so many people into the streets as this day of the Firemen. And the cause of it is there is something better than mere show in it. Every citizen feels an obligation to the firemen. If one owns a house, a large part of the security for it is the firemen. If one rents a house, in the same measure, the security for his rent (most landlords make their tenants pay in advance) and also, for whatsoever he may have in furniture, to say nothing of the lives of his children, is the firemen. Therefore, the firemen are of vast importance to the public. Without them, every citizen would go to bed at night with less "ease in his possessions"—insurances would be dearer than the railroad tax, and perhaps we should feel it necessary to build fireproof houses, or not build at all. And so every one can see that there is great material economy in the Fire Department. It is only a pity that this sense of obligation is not more clearly exhibited in a material way. But the excuse for this is that people are slow to contribute; and the firemen are slow to ask their contributions. If the Department were inclined to beg, we suspect that its coffers would be overflowing, but it might not be near so manly as it is. There are, however, certain duties positively due from the public to the firemen. These have been repeatedly brought to the public attention by the reports of the chief engineers, and by none more forcibly than by the present able and popular engineer, Mr. Quigley. It seems to us that more respect ought to be paid to these matters.

THE NEW COMMERCIAL PAPER.—It is understood that the new commercial newspaper, to be issued on Monday or Tuesday next, will be under the direction of Mr. Edward Conner, formerly of the *Alta California*, Mr. Washington Bartlett, of the *Evening News*, and W. H. Rhodes ("Caxton.") The paper, we are told, will be called the *True Californian*, will be printed upon entirely new material, and will be larger than any other paper in the State. The *Evening News* will not appear after to-day. From the well-known energy of Mr. Conner, together with that of Mr. Bartlett, and the popularity of Mr. Rhodes, the *True Californian* will undoubtedly be prosperous.

CHEAP.—The actual expenses of the Fire Department, for the month ending May 16th, fall short of two hundred dollars. It is unprecedented, that a Department as large as that of this city should be managed so economically.

The Fire Department in High Places.

The New York *Mercury* says: A discussion took place in the Senate of this state, last week, in which the fire department of this city bore a conspicuous part in the remarks made by the honorable senators. The matter under discussion was the amendment to the bill relative to the insurance on property in this state. For a proper understanding of the subject, we would say that a few years since, upon the application of the firemen, backed up by a large and influential class of our citizens, a law was passed, compelling every foreign insurance, doing business in the state, to pay a tax of two per cent, on the amount of the premiums received by them, to the charitable fund of the fire department, in such places where they established agencies for their business. The reason for this was obvious All the local companies paid a direct tax where they do business, varying from $200 to $1,000, and contributed more or less to the charitable fund of the fire department, besides various donations to fire companies, &c. The foreign insurance companies do not pay a cent of tax, but enjoy all the benefits from the police, Croton water, fire department, and other heavy expenditures, free of charge. The injustice of this was so apparent, that the law above referred to was passed with scarcely any opposition. All the agencies, with *one* exception, cheerfully submitted to the law, and paid their tax. That exception was Alfred Pell, the British agent of the Liverpool and London Insurance Co., who with an *advertised* mammoth capital of ten millions of dollars, offered no security to the insured than his 'advertisement; but still succeeded in obtaining a large amount of business here, without paying one cent of tax to the city. He steadfastly refused to comply with the law, and although defeated in various suits against him, is carrying them up to the highest courts, withholding from the fire department what is fully their due.

At the annual meeting of the representatives, a resolution was passed to procure a more stringent law, to make them either pay or stop doing business,; and it was on the passage of this bill that the debate referred to took place. Almost every senator took part in it, and it was gratifying to listen to the encomiums passed upon the department. Prominent among the speakers were Messrs. Brooks, Spencer, Sickles and Upham. They spoke in glowing terms of the onerous duties of our firemen, their activity, energy, and fearlessness in the discharge of their duties, their generous and noble character, and the active part they took in every good work in our city. The alluded in strong terms to the meanness of a foreign agent, who comes here to fatten and revel upon the fruits of the labor of such men as the New York firemen, without contributing in any way to their benefit, and having not the first sympathetic feeling with them or their association.

The debate was one of the most spirited and animated of the session, and will entitle those who so nobly advocated the New York firemen's cause to their lasting gratitude. The bill passed the Senate with but two dissenting votes—one of them was Mr. C. P. Smith, of Kings county. It is now in the House, and we anticipate for it the same success, if it can be reached before the adjournment.

We ought to mention one incident in connection with this matter, which will show the opinion this Bhtish agent has of the New York fire department. At a late meeting of the officers of the insurance companies of this city, he arose and addressed them in a long speech about our firemen, and closed with a motion to appoint a committee to bring about a paid fire department. Hardly was he down before over twenty gentlemen sprang to their feet, and one after the other refuted all he had said, and defended the firemen to a man He, however, pressed his motion to a vote, and it was put, and received one "aye," and that his own; so that he not only dodges his legitimate tax, but wants to saddle the city with tho or three hundred thousand dollars' expenses. We hope he will get his deserts.

[Thank God there is no such an agent in San Francisco.—ED.

Inquest upon the bodies of Cora and Casey.

Coroner Kent summoned a jury yesterday at 12 o'clock at his office in Sacramento street, to examine into the cause of the death of James P. Casey and Charles Cora. The following persons composed the coroners jury: Col. Redick McKee, Edward F. Beale, Henry A. Cobb, A. B. Story, Joshua F. Osgood, C. A. Low, E. F. Rumrill.

Dr. I. B. Pigne Dupuytren was sworn and testified as follows: Am a practising physician. I saw the bodies of Casey and Cora yesterday, at what are called the Vigilance Committee rooms. They were brought out of the cells and placed in the windows and were suspended by the neck, where they hung fifty minutes, when they were taken down and I examined them and found them dead,

T. J. L. Smiley sworn, and deposed as follows: about twenty-five minutes past one o'clock yesterday Casey called me to him and asked me to take care of his body, in Sacramento street below Front. He wished me to hand it over to his friends. I decline to answer any further questions.

Dr. R. Beverly Cole sworn and testified. I am a physicean and surgeon. I saw the bodies of Casey and Cora, I think they died of Asphyxia. they might have been killed by breaking of the neck, in that case they would instantly die, otherwise by strangulation. I heard the testimony of Dr. Pigne Dupuytren and believe the same to be true,

Col. McKee the foreman of the jury remarked that it wass useless to accumulate testimony in this matter, as all we can get will only be of a character, such as we have already obtained, and as we cannot compel persons to criminate themselves, we might as well make our verdict.

Mr. Hossefross was sworn, and said he saw the two men hanging by their neck in Sacramento street yesterday, one of whom he knew to be James P. Casey, and the other he did not know. He declined to answer any further questions.

Col. Charles Doane, (the marshal of the Committee on Sunday last,) was also sworn and declined to answer any questions whatever.

The other witnesses were here dismissed and the jury agreed upon the following verdict.

The undersigned jurors convened at the Coroners office on the 23d day of May 1856, to inquire into the cause of the death of Charles Cora and James P. Casey, found dead at the rooms of the Vigilance Committee on the 22d inst. do find that they came to their death from hanging by the neck, which hanging was done by a body of men styling themselves a Vigilance Committee of San Francisco.

DONATION.—The insurance offices of New York donated to the charitable fund of the firemen of that city, thirteen hundred dollars on the 17th of April.

The Military.

No. VII

The events of the past week are important, when considered in a military point of view.

It explains the position of our State government and its authorities. It shows that although we spend about half a million of dollars yearly, for the creation of laws, that the Executive department of government is so weak, or powerless, so incapacitated from enforcing respect to those laws, that they are, as if they were not.

Is not this so? Why, if it were not, violent demonstrations of popular outbreak could not occur daily.

It is not the duty of the citizen-soldier to enquire into the cause of outbreaks. If murder—and all the crimes of the criminal calendar—occurred in our midst, it is not the place of the citizen-soldier—who has taken an oath to support the Constitution and the Law, and to entire subjection to the orders of his commanding officers—to rise up in arms, or in resistance against the constituted authorities, without subjecting himself to the reproach of having acted falsely in violation of his oath, and no good citizen-soldier who knows his duty, would thus leave himself open to such a terrible accusation.

We have a beautiful system of Government; a wise code of laws; a distribution of the powers of government: and yet, withal, we have seen three thousand armed men, acting in violation of the law, parading our streets, and the government usurped by a body of armed citizens. Why is this? Because, while there is sufficient legislation in all other departments of government, when the Executive department has to be strengthened, opposition is thrown in its way, and the men who propose any measure in its favor, are scoffed at.

The existence of our government depends more upon the Executive department of government than upon any other.

If this is weak, our laws are useless and inoperative, and,

"Like the forfeits in a barber-shop,
Are more in mock than murk"

It is not for me to enquire what was the cause of the recent wild excitement which existed here, or to discuss its merits. It was alleged that crime was rampant, and the life and property of the citizen was insecure, from desperate men. That it was, we have no reason to doubt. Why was it so? Because we have no executive power to enforce respect for the laws, and, therefore, bodies of infuriated and armed citizens act irrespective of the authorities, and are forced, for their protection, (as they assert,) to commit six crimes to get rid of a few criminals.

The law must be supreme. The Constitution, the ark of our safety, must be enclosed for security within a pyramid of adamant.

The man that invades the temple which contains the Constitution, for the purpose of depriving a fellow of the rights therein contained, or to tear it to pieces, is guilty of treason, and should die.

The execution of the law should be so certain, that while it brought terror to the wrong doer, it should protect the citizen.

But the state and city authorities may well blame themselves for the events of the past few days. It shows that they are so powerless that at any moment they may be wiped out and abrogated. That twenty millions of dollars worth of legislation heaped up in musty tomes are only fit for the bonfire whenever it suits the whims of men to stand up and set them aside.

We wanted a military force to maintain the supremacy of the law over riots, and to protect our homes from invasion. But we were scoffed at for making such a demand Legislators laughed, citizens talked of holiday show, men of wealth and property having a stake in the country, thought that a small tax to support the military system was a most foolish and weak invention.

The legislature gave a bill for the support of the militia and gave it, grudgingly, The city authorities refused assistance to the military. But the hour of peril comes, the populace become infuriated, they arm three thousand citizens, they wrest the power out of the hands of the authorities, for the reason, as they alledge that the authorities had no force to protect them, and the law for the time being is powerless.

Let them take the lesson in season and profit by it.

The militia were ready at the call of the authorities, weak as they were, to maintain the law as it was their sworn duty to do. A large number did not shrink from that duty, but no man dare blame them for not violating their oaths. The soldier knows no party be they friends or foes. Duty, inflexible duty, when called upon compels them to perform it. The crime of desertion, is death, and with such a bloody code staring them in the face with its dishonor, no man can be blamed for the performance of his duty.

JURISCONSULT.

METROPOLITAN THEATRE.—To-night the benefit of the Monumental Engine Company takes place at the Metropolitan Theatre. The affair has been postponed for several days, on account of the excitement which has been so prevalent. The programme is a rich one, and will amply repay those who attend the Theatre. The "Monumentals" have done most excellent service since they have been in the Department, and we sincerely trust they will have a remunerative benefit, as the purpose to which the receipts are to be appropriated is a worthy one.

MANHATTAN 2.—The new engine house of Manhattan Co. was lit up for the first time on Wednesday evening. The stained glass windows in the second story are very beautiful. The whole house is well arranged. The lantern in the engine room, is an elegant affair, rich and neat. The company will shortly take possession of their new quarters.

THE BODY OF CORA.—Immediately after the result of the Coroner's Inquest was made known yesterday, the body of Cora was removed to the house of his wife, on Pike street, from whence the funeral will take place to-day.

SAN FRANCISCO HALL.—The Minstrels have performed but once or twice during the week. They are now in the full tide of success again, and, as usual, will draw large and well-pleased audiences.

REPUBLISHED.—By request, we republish this week an article which appeared in last week's issue, on the position of the Fire Department, and the means which should be taken for its relief.

THANKS.—To Messrs. Doran and Merriam, and J. W. Sullivan for full files of papers, magazines &c. received

Position of the Fire Department.

The hope that the Fire Department will be the recipient of any attention from the present city authorities, or that its just demands will be recognized, has vanished, and through the proper channel it must adopt some system, whereby the expenses of the organization may be met, until the passage of a law which will be an anti dote to the evil inflicted upon the firemen, by Hawes' Consolidation Bill. From the time of the provisions of that bill going into operation, and until the assembling of the Legislature, it will be an utter impossibility for the fire department to be properly supported. Every dollar that is now in the city treasury, and nine-tenths of that to be collected is already appropriated, and the niggardly sum named in the Consolidation Bill to pay for every incidental expense of the department, renders aid from that source inoperative The fire department is perfectly willing to lay up the apparatus. until such time as the city can pay for keeping it in order, but, in the meantime, will the property of the people be protected, and can it be guarded without the proper requisites? Most assuredly not. The department does not wish to arrogate to itself any particular praise for the work and labor performed by its members, neither are the latter so egotistical as to suppose that the city could not exist without them, at the same time they are quite sure that their watchfulness has contributed a great deal to the prosperity of its citizens. They are perfectly well aware that the latter place every dependence upon them for the protection of their families and their property, and therefore they are strenuous in their appeals for aid.

The fire department, for the six months subsequent to the 1st of July next, will be thrown entirely upon its own resources for relief and support, and to take hold of the matter in season is absolutely necessary. and it behooves its representatives to suggest the method by which the difficulty may be surmounted.

The Insurance companies and the mercantile portion of the community, are the parties most interested in keeping up a well organized and efficient fire department, the former having immense risks outstanding, and the latter depending upon them for a return of loss sustained by fire. A trifling loss occurring periodically, is easily met by the office in which the risk may be taken, but a succession of losses, to be followed by one more disastrous than all the others combined, impairs the strength of the offices interested, and weakens the support to be derived by the merchant. The merchant insuring his property, paying his premium on the amount insured, and taking his policy, must not suppose for an instant that the mere fact of going through a ceremonial of that description, is the real power which preserves him from loss. The agents of the insurance offices in this city concede that point themselves. They issue policies of insurance to secure the merchant and business man from loss, and the security of the insurance agent is the "volunteer fire department," and the members of the latter are only too happy to give their united support to preserve from loss, those who have been so liberal to them upon every occasion, as the insurance agents of this city

To the insurance offices and merchants of San Francisco, do the firemen look for support until the 1st day of February. next, by which time a change in the law will be made, and we have good cause to know that the former, as well as a large number of the latter, are willing to accede to any reasonable arrangement which the fire department, through its board of delegates, may propose. All that the officers of the department ask, is, that the actual expenditures may be paid as they accrue; as for their salaries, they are willing to run the risk of receiving them from the city.

Under these circumstances therefore, we are of the opinion that the best plan to pursue, will be for the President of the department to call a special meeting of the board of delegates, as soon as possible, at which let the Chief Engineer submit a statement of the amounts which will be necessary to meet the requirements of the department from the 1st of July of the present year, to the 1st of February 1857. That then a communication be addressed to the Chamber of Commerce, setting forth the precise condition of the fire department, and the disability under which it must naturally labor for several months, asking that body to assist the department in meeting its current expenses. Should the merchants decide to afford relief to the organization, let them appoint their own Treasurer, paying the bills of the department from month to month, upon the sworn vouchers of the Chief Engineer, allowing him to have full control of the matter, the same he has exercised so impartially since his induction into office, and making it incumbent upon the foremen to report to him every month, what is actually required by their respective companies.

To judge from previous expenses of the department, the amount which the insurance offices and merchants will be called upon to pay will not exceed ten thousand dollars, and may be considerably less. The actual expenses of the department from the 16th December 1855, until the 16th of the present month, have amounted to $2,176 26, a period of five months, the bills for which can be produced at any time; the engine and truck-keepers have not been paid out of that sum. neither have many of the bills for repairs to apparatus.

During the past year, repairs to the amount of $4000 have been done to the apparatus, all of which is due to Messrs. Berry & Co., on Bush st., $2000 from the city, and the balance promised to be paid by certain companies, upon the refusal of the city to pay. In speaking of Messrs. Berry & Co. reminds us to say, that the interest taken by that house in the fire department, in repairing the apparatus without pay, has done much towards saving the city from being again destroyed, for it was and is the only place the firemen could get work done, without having the money in hand or giving security for its payment.

No delay should occur in legislating upon this matter, the fire department must be supported, and we know of no other or better plan than that we have suggested. There is a feeling prevailing in the department to separate from the city, and set up an entirely independent organization This is met, however, with the objection, that the city owning a portion of the apparatus, would defeat such a project. That is all very well, as far as it goes, the city is the people, they are the creative power of aldermen and supervisors, and if they should endorse such a position on the part of the department, all the city authorities this side of Jordan, would not alter the affair, one jot or tittle. The fire department should be thankful above all other organisations, that there is a higher power than city authorities to which its members can appeal, that power being vested in the people.

"JURISCONSULT.—In another column may be found No. 7 of the series of Military articles over the signature of "Jurisconsult." We wish to be understood as not endorsing, either in whole or in part, the article in question, at an other and more fitting opportunity we shall express an opinion upon the matter, therein contained and in so doing shall say precisely what we think.

BOARD OF DELEGATES.—The members of the Board will find it to their interest to be present at the meeting on Wednesday evening next.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Secretary's office,
San Francisco Fire Department

BOARD OF DELEGATES.—An Adjourned Stated Meeting of the Board will be held on Wednesday evening next, May 28th, at 7½ o'clock, at their chambers in the City Hall.

By order,
MARCUS D. BORUCK,
Secretary, S. F. F. D.

SAN FRANCISCO BLUES—NOTICE.—SIR:—You are hereby notified that a Special Meeting of your Corps will be held at the Armory, on Monday evening, the 26th inst., at 8 o'clock. By order,
SAM'L W. NEWHALL, Secretary.
San Francisco, May 23d, 1856.

METROPOLITAN THEATRE.

STAGE MANAGER....JAMES DOWLING.

Benefit of the

MONUMENTALS!

The members of the MONUMENTAL have the pleasure to announce to their fellow-citizens that through the kindness of Mr. JOHN TORRENCE, and the ladies and gentlemen of the theatrical profession they have been enabled to announce their FIRST BENEFIT for

SATTRDAY EVENING, MAY 24TH,

on which occasion will be produced, for the first time in California, JOHN BROUGHAM'S five-act Comedy of the

GAME OF LOVE!

A glorious Farce, Ethiopian Delineations, an Original Fireman's Address, Singing, Dancing, Tableaux, &c.

To give effect to the above Entertainment, the following well-known Artists will appear:

MISS CAROLINE CHAPMAN!
MRS. JUDAH, WM. BARRY, GEO RYER,
MRS. CLAUGHLEY, N. HAYWOOD,
MRS. HUNT, C. KING,
F. ROGERS, JOHNS,

OLD EPH. HORN!
MISS MARY, and LA PETITE CERITO

Saturday Evening, May 24th.

The performance will commence with the original 5-Act Comedy, written by John Brougham, Esq., entitled the

GAME OF LOVE!

PAUL WELDON.....Ma N. HAYWOOD.
Councillor Conydon Foxglove.....Geo. Ryer.
Ted. Murphy.....C. A. King.
Lawrence De Merfie, Esq.....F. Rogers.
Mr. Grace.....Johns.
Alice Devereaux.....Miss CAROLINE CHAPMAN.
Miss Phebe Tangle.....Mrs. Judah.
Mrs. Lawrence De Merfie.....Mrs. Hunt.

After which an ORIGINAL FIREMAN'S ADDRESS, written expressly for the occasion, will be delivered by MRS. JUDAH.

After which, OLD EPH. HORN in his

RAILROAD IMITATIONS!

FANCY DANCE, by LA PETITE CERITO!

WOMAN'S RIGHTS!

by that inimitable delineator of Ethiopian Character—OLD EPH. HORN.

FAVORITE DANCE, by Miss MARY, a pupil of Miss Leslie.

PAS STYRIEN, by Mons. SCHMIDT and M'lle THERESE.

The whole to conclude with [first time in this city] the amusing and appropriate Interlude called the

MANAGER IN DISTRESS.

THE MANAGER..AN AMATEUR, MEMBER OF THE "MONUMENTAL."

Prompter.....Chase.
Mr. Easy.....Dowling.
Mr. Russelton.....King.
Irishman.....Carrol.
Nigger.....Vincent.
Gent.....Rogers.

For this night only, the following Scale of Prices has been adopted:

Parquette and Dress Circle, $2 00; Orchestra Boxes $3 00; Private Boxes, $9 00 to $25 00; Second Teir, $1 00 Third Teir, 50 cents.

Doors open at 7½; Curtain will rise at 9 o'clock.

Seats and Tickets can be secured from 9 o'clock, A. M., to 4 o'clock, P. M.

J. BERRY & Co.,
No. 21 Bush st., between Sansome and Battery,
MANUFACTURERS AND IMPORTERS OF
CARRIAGES, WAGONS,
HOSE-CARRIAGES,
and other apparatus used by the Fire Department. On hand, and for sale, all kinds of
CARRIAGE MATERIALS,
including a large assortment of
LEATHER ENAMELED CLOTH, LACE, CURTAIN AND CARPET FRINGE.

N. B.—Repairing, in all its branches, executed in a manner warranted to give satisfaction to all who may favor us with their patronage, and at prices to suit the times.

R. F. RYAN,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW,
OFFICE:
In the old Post Office Building, corner of CLAY and KEARNY STREETS, SAN FRANCISCO.

Fire and Marine Insurance
AGENCY,
NO. 106 MONTGOMERY STREET.

The Liverpool and London
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
Capital.....$10,000,000

Insurance against Loss by Fire in all parts of California, effected upon
Stores, Merchandise, Dwellings, Furniture.

Claims will be paid by the undersigned so soon as the amount of loss is ascertained, without the sixty day's delay exacted by American policies.

The Mercantile Mutual Insurance Company
The Orient Mutual Insurance Company,
The Pacific Mutual Insurance Company.

The undersigned have full powers from the above eminent Companies of New York, to insure
VESSELS,
CARGOES,
FREIGHT,
To and from all parts of the globe upon the most favorable terms.

The long experience of the subscribers in the practice of Fire and Marine Insurance, their presence upon the spot to settle losses, and the high character of the Companies represented, enable us to furnish superior facilities and more satisfactory guarantees than can be found elsewhere.

General Averages adjusted. Particular losses stated and claims for losses prepared and collected.

J. P. & R. S. HAVEN.

J. P. HAVEN,
Proctor and Advocate in Admiralty.
Commissioner for Pennsylvania and Louisiana.

R. S. HAVEN,
Notary Public and Conveyancer.
Protests extended, and all Commercial and Marine Writings Drawn. jan26-tf

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Eureka Duck.

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WE have received per "Flora Temple," and shall continue to receive in futers, by almost every clipper, a regular supply of this celebrated brand of Duck, which is pronounced the

Heaviest and Best Made

COTTON DUCK

Ever Imported into this Market.

For sale in lots to suit, by

ADRAIN & STORY, Sole Importers

No. 89 Front st., one door north of Clay street.

may 10.

COTTON SEAMLESS HOSE.

FOR HYDRAULIC MINING.

WE have on hand, and shall continue to receive

COTTON SEAMLESS HOSE,

of all sizes, which we can sell at

ONE-FOURTH OF THE PRICE

Of Leather or Gutta Percha Hose.

ADRAIN & STORY,

89 Front street.

may 10.

ROWE & CO.'S PIONEER CIRCUS.

JOS. A. ROWE AND JOHN SMITH, PROPRIETORS.

ROUTE THROUGH THE SOUTHERN MINES FOR MAY AND JUNE.

BY FAR THE MOST EXTENSIVE AND Elegantly organized Equestrian Establishment that ever appeared in California, numbering more Men and Horses, and travelling through the State at an expense of Fifteen Thousand Dollars a Month.

ROUTE UP TO SAN FRANCISCO.

Commencing Friday, May 16th, at Volcano; Aqueduct City; Indian Diggings; Jackson; Campo Seco; Mokelumne Hill; San Andreas; Angels Camp; Murphy's; Vallecito Columbia; Shaw's Flat; Sonora; Jamestown; Chinese Camp—and through the interm-diate towns and mining camps to Mariposa; returning by Knight's Ferry, Stockton, Live Oak City, Sacramento, and through the Sacramento and Suisun Valleys to san Francisco: the Company spending the GLORIOUS FOURTH OF JULY on the lot of

JACKSON STREET, JOINING THE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL.

The seats are carpeted, and attentive and gentlemanly Ushers by wait on Ladies and Family parties.

Dres Circle, $2; Pit, $1. my17-tf

LADIES WILL FIND

At our Store, a Beautiful Assortment of Goods Suitable for

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

Two things we Guarantee—Our Goods are the very Newest Styles, and no house in California

CAN OR WILL SELL CHEAPER.

Roman Cameo Sets;	Bracelets of all kinds;
Florentine Mosaic Sets;	Pins and Earrings;
Pearl and Coral Sets;	Chatelaines;
Plain or Chased Sets;	Neck Chains;
Crosses and Chains;	Charms;
Belt Buckles;	Pearl Crosses.

DIAMONDS—SET IN

Cluster Rings;	Bracelets;
Brooches;	Cluster Earrings;
Solitaire Rings;	Solitaire Earrings;
Crosses;	Buckles.

QUARTZ—SET IN

Cane Heads;	Crosses, very chaste;
Seals and Keys;	Ribbon Slides;
Pins and Earrings;	Cuff Pins;
Finger Rings;	Sleeve Buttons;
Studs;	Bijouterie.

SILVER WARE—SUCH AS

Cups and Goblets;	Gravy Spoons;
Sets of Knives, Forks and Ladles' Spoons;	Sugar Spoons;
	Salt Spoons;
Spoons and Forks;	Napkin Rings;
Fish Knives and Forks;	Card Baskets;
Cake Knives;	Cake Baskets;
Castors;	Tea Sets complete;
Butter Knives;	Cream Pots;
Breakfast Knives;	Tureens;
Fruit Knives;	Pitchers;
Thimbles;	Match Boxes;
Salvers;	Cigar Cases;
Children's Rattles;	Bar Spoons;
Toilet Cases;	Card Cases;
Butter Dishes;	Port Monnaies;
Bar Mixers and Strainers;	Fruit Stands.

WATCHES—OF

ENGLISH MANUFACTURE:	FRENCH MANUFACTURE
Magic Cased;	Magic Cased;
Heavy Cased Levers;	Enamelled;
Chronometers;	Diamond Set;
Duplexes;	Small Lapines.

ALSO—A great many articles not enumerated

BARRETT & SHERWOOD,

135 Montgomery st.

de22 (Second door North of Commercial st.)

AT REDUCED PRICES!

Clothing! Clothing! Clothing!

We have now the largest and most desirable stock of

CLOTHING & FURNISHING GOODS,

Of any house in San Francisco,

Consisting in part of—

Black Frock Coats;	Black Dress Coats;
Blue Frock Coats;	Blue Dress Coats;
Brown Frock Coats;	Olive Frock Coats;
Dahlia Frock Coats;	

Black, Blue, Brown, Dublin and Olive D'Orsay Coats;

All styles of Business Coats; Business Pants;

Fancy French and English Cass. Doeskin Pants; fancy Velvet, black and fancy silk, black, blue and fancy Cassimere Vests; Buff Cassimere, Buff Marseilles, plain and figured and white silk Party Vests.

—ALSO—

Overcoats, Talmas, Davis and Jones' patented Shirts and Collars; Stocks; Cravats; Scarfs; Dejouvell's Ties; Merino and Sambs' wool Shirts and Drawers; Dress Riding Gloves; Cotton, Merino and silk Hosiery; Trunks, Carpet Bags, Clothing, &c, &c.

ALL OF WHICH WE

Offer at Reduced Prices, to meet the Times.

By manufacturing our own Goods we are enabled to warrant every garment, and we invite one and all, before purchasing elsewhere, to give us a call, for we are determined to give satisfaction, as regards quality and price

GOLDEN GATE CLOTHING WAREHOUSE,

Cor. Clay and Kearny sts. opposite the Post Office.

KEYES & CO.

☞ Our store will be closed after 12 o'clock on Saturday night, until Monday morning. K. & Co.

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Plaza Bakery & Coffee Saloon

HENRY G. GIANNINI,

(LATE OF THE IRVING HOUSE,)

Fancy Baker and Confectioner,

No. 208, Washington Street, Plaza,

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

☞ Parties, Weddings, Families and Hotels supplied on the most liberal terms, and at the shortest notice.

☞ All articles manufactured by me are warranted. ☜

NEWS FOR THE PEOPLE—

If you want Newspapers;
If you want Magazines;
If you want Cheap Publications;
If you want Books;
If you want anything that is printed—

Call on NOISY CARRIER BOOK & STATIONERY CO

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If you want by the quantity;
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If you want in wrappers for mailing;
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all os send to

NOISY CARRIER'S BOOK & STATIONERY CO.,

17 Long Wharf;

CHAS. P. KIMBALL, Pres't

MARKET NOTICE.

Opening of the Great Plaza Market, on TUESDAY, January 20th, corner of Clay and Kearny streets.

Concentration of all the Market Business of San Francisco in one Large Central Market.

The inhabitants of this city have long needed a central and commodious Market, where they could obtain all the necessaries of life in one convenient place. The Plaza Market is the large brick building formerly used as the Post Office, and was opened on the above day, by the best Butchers, best Vegetable Men, best Butter Dealers and Game Men, from the Washington, Pacific and New World Markets. All of the occupants have been at an enormous expense to fit up their Stalls superior to any in the city. We invite all the ladies of San Francisco to call and take a look at the most magnificent Market ever erected on the Pacific Coast.

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JEWELRY.

Holiday Presents.

J. W. TUCKER,

125 MONTGOMERY STREET.

THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT OF

JEWELRY

ON THE PACIFIC COAST!

$300,000

INVESTED IN CHOICE ARTICLES!!

TUCKER respectfully informs the trade and the public generally that he has received by late arrivals one of the largest and most varied assortments of JEWELRY and Fancy Goods ever imported into this State.

Among his late arrivals may be found

THIRTY LARGE SINGLE DIAMONDS,

Perfect curiosities in themselves, being much the largest in this city.

—ALSO,—

FINE DIAMOND NECKLACES!

Worth from $400 to $2400 each!

—ALSO—

☞ An Unusual Large Assortment of

WATCHES,

AT ALL PRICES,

FROM $50 TO $3000 EACH

I have on hand for sale at retail or to the trade, those fine large Watches, called

RAILWAY TIME-KEEPERS.

—ALSO—

Diamond Watches,	Patent Lever Watches,
Ladies' do	Enamelled do
Hunting do	Chronometer do

etc., etc., etc.

QUARTZ JEWELRY!

In this department of Jewelry Manufacture, I am without a competitor. In the artistic elegance in which I get up my work, I have been enabled to supersede all others, particularly those who pretend to get up similar work in this city. If any person wants a beautiful

Cane Head,
Ring Setting,
Breastpins, etc., etc., etc.

LET THEM CALL ON ME,

And I will sell them any of the above articles, or another that can be manufactured from

Quartz, Cheaper—

[But mind I guarantee them to be GENUINE]

Than they can Possibly be Purchased

ELSEWHERE.

SILVER WARE.

100 Dozen Table Spoons,
95 Dozen Tea Spoons,
125 Dozen Table Forks,

SILVER TEA SETS,

WITH OR WITHOUT SALVERS,

Silver Pitchers and Cups,
Silver Trumpets,
Card Cases,
Cake Baskets,
Castors, etc., etc.

☞ All of the above articles are warranted of the first quality, and manufactured by persons who thoroughly understand their business.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Among the following articles will be found some of the best ever made; and I am determined to sell them, however small the profit. And as I buy from first hands, and in Large Invoices, of course I can always undersell those who buy small invoices, after they have passed through three or four hands! I Warrant every article that leaves my Store.

Diamond Bracelets,
Diamond Rings and Pins,
Diamond Ear Rings,

Gold Goblets,	Gold Spoons,	Gold Chains,
Gold Forks,	Gold Fob Chains,	
Gold Napkin Rings,	Silver Napkin Rings,	
Jewel Caskets,	Opera Glasses,	
Swords, Ame's Make,	Walking Canes,	
Port Monnaies,	Penholders,	
Pocket Knives,	Silver mounted Dirk Knives,	
Shell back Combs,	Coffee Urns,	
Swinging Kettles, etc., etc., etc.		

All the above articles can be found at

☞ Look out for the Right Number, ☜

125 Montgomery Street,

mh15 SAN FRANCISCO. tf

WATCHES!

DIAMONDS!

AND

FINE JEWELRY!

ALSO,

SILVER WARE!

To be had of

JOHN W. TUCKER,

No. 125 Montgomery St.,

FOR ONE HALF THE PRICE THEY

CAN BE BOUGHT ELSEWHERE.

mh 29-tf

Only 25 Cents!

LITTLE'S

Devine's Pitch Lozenges

Universally acknowledged to be the safest and best remedy ever invented for the cure of

COUGHS, COLDS,

And all affectations of the

THROAT AND LUNGS!

Are now offered to the public at the very low rate of TWENTY-FIVE CENTS a box, or

Five Boxes for One Dollar!

DOCTOR WILLIAM DEVINE being anxious that the citizens of California should derive the full benefit of his "estimable remedy," came to this State for the sole purpose of establishing their manufacture and sale, and made arrangements with

MESSRS. LITTLE & CO.

for that purpose, as will be seen by the following affidavit:

County of San Francisco, ss.—William B. Little, being duly sworn, deposes and says—That he is a Druggist, and doing business in the city of San Francisco, under the name and style of Little & Co.; that on the 30th day of December, 1854 for good and valuable consideration, Dr. Wm. Devine, who was then in the city of San Francisco, sold to him the recipe, and instructed him in the art of manufacturing the Lozenges known as Dr. Devine's Compound Pitch Lozenges, and that the articles he has sold as Dr. Devine's Compound Pitch Lozenges, are the genuine Compound Pitch Lozenges, prepared according to the recipe so sold and made known to him by said Dr. Wm. Devine; and deponent further says that the said Dr. Wm. Devine authorised and appointed him sole agent of said Lozenges, in and for the State of California.

WM. B. LITTLE.

Sworn to before me, this 21st day of January, 1856.

Geo. T. Knox, Notary Public.

☞ OBSERVE THAT ☜

LITTLE'S DEVINE'S PITCH LOZENGES

Are put up in green boxes, with a representation of a PINE TREE on the corner, and the written signature of LITTLE & CO., is attached to each box.

Sold at wholesale by H. Johnson & Co.; Story & Co.; Crowell, Crane & Bringham; Langley & Co.; Park & White; B. B Thayer; and at retail by druggists and dealers in every town throughout the State.

All applications for agencies must be made to

LITTLE & CO.,

Chemists and Druggists,

feb2-tf 137 Montgomery street, San Francisco.

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Exchange and Banking Notice.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 1st, 1856.

The undersigned have entered into co-partnership for the purpose of transacting a Legitimate Exchange and Banking Business, under the name and style of

Garrison, Morgan, Fretz & Ralston,

in this city, and CHARLES MORGAN & CO. in New York

The cash capital paid in is seven hundred thousand dollars. ($700,000.)

An amount will be kept in the Manhattan Bank, New York, at all times, to cover our bills in case of loss of any shipment of Tre

We are now prepared to sell Sight Exchange on the Manhattan Bank or Charles Morgan & Co., New York; also on the Manhattan Bank made payable viz: at the Southern Bank, New Orleans, La.; Messrs Darby & Barksdale, Bankers, St. Louis, Mo.; Southern Bank of Kentucky, Louisville, Ky.; Ohio Life Insurance and Trust Co.: Cincinnatti Ohio; Merchants and Manufacturers Bank Pittsburgh Pa.; to purchase Gold Dust, Bars, Bullion, Mint and Bank Certificates, approved securities, make collections, and to transact all matters pertaining to our business, on the most liberal terms.

C. K. GARRISON,
CHARLES MORGAN,
By his Att'y, C. K. Garrison.
R. S. FRETZ,
W. C. RALSTON.

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Joseph C. Palmer, Charles W. Cook. | George W. Wright, Edward Jones.

PALMER, COOK & CO.,

BANKERS,

Corner Washington and Kearny sts. fronting the Plaza

SAN FRANCISCO.

Buy and Sell Exchange on all the Principal Eastern cities. Bullion Certificates of Deposite, etc bought at the highest market rates. Collections made and money transmitted, and all business connected with banking, transacted.

Agent in New York—JOHN COOK, Jr., No. 31, Broadway. c9

Commissioner for Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Tennessee, Kentucky, Missouri, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin, Iowa &c.

L. W. SLOAT.

Musical Hall Building

REMOVAL.

FOR THE ACCOMODATION OF THEIR numerous Customers, the

NOISY CARRIERS'

Book and Stationery Company,

WITL REMOVE

To Howard's new Fire Proof Building, cor. OF BATTERY STREET & LONG WHARF,

Having one entrance on Battery street, one door from Long Wharf, and one entrance on Long Wharf, one door from the corner of Battery street. The numbers will be

97 BATTERY STREET,

—AND—

64 AND 66 LONG WHARF

From the great increase in their business facilities, and the amount of NEW GOODS just received, they feel confident they can attend to the wants of their old friends and customers together with the wants of such new friends and customers as choose to honor them with their patronage, in a most satisfactory manner.

CHARLES P KIMBALL, President.

TO LET—The Store now occupied by them. Possession given as soon as they are fully moved. mh15-tf

Removal and Reform!

ADAMS & CO,

HATTERS,

NOT BANKERS,

Have Removed their

FASHIONABLE HAT ESTABLISHMENT,

—TO—

NO. 175 CLAY STREET,

Late ARCADE GAMBLING SALOON.

THIS is the most elegant Hat establishment in the City, with a large and well selected stock HATS and CAPS, which will be sold at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES. We would respectfully call the attention of Gents to our Spring Style Hat, which we flatter ourselves is SUPERIOR in TASTE and ELEGANCE, to anything yet introduced in this city.

LADIES will find at this House the best assortment of Riding Hats, Whips and Gloves, also Children's Hats and Caps in great variety.

Any style of Hat or Cap made to order in the best style and shortest notice.

ADAMS & CO.,

mh15-tf 175 Clay street, old Arcade Saloon.

AT LITTLE'S

PHYSICIANS' PRESCRIPTIONS

Are very Carefully and Accurately

PREPARED,

From the freshest and best quality of Medicines, at

ONE HALF THE PRICE

Usually charged by Apothecaries.

This establishment is conducted by the oldest and most experienced apothecary in the State, and every article of medicine which we prepare or offer for sale, we guarantee to be fully equal to that of any establishment in the world.

Our large and increasing trade keeps our stock constantly changing, and we are thereby enabled to offer our patrons medicines of all kinds, FRESHLY prepared, and of the latest importations. This is an

Important Fact,

And a matter of deep interest to the sick. Medicines to be good MUST BE FRESHLY PREPARED; and in choosing your apothecary, select one who does a good business.

IF YOU WANT A GOOD ARTICLE,

GO TO LITTLE'S

Is an expression as familiar in San Francisco as "household words," which has been fairly acquired by constant and unremitted efforts to excel during five years business in this city.

LITTLE & CO.,

Apothecaries and practical Chemists,

137 Montgomery Street,

jan6-tf Between Clay and Commercial

Winn's Fountain Head,

CLAY STREET, OPPOSITE THE PLAZA

Search the city, North, South, East or West,
WINN'S 'FOUNTAIN HEAD' Saloon's by far the best;
You not only find a sumptous bill of fare,
But your eyes also will be feasted there—
Rich turkey carpets, soft as downy swan,
Glowing like sunset clouds, your feet rests on;
Whil-t costly draperies in gay festoons,
Give an air of elegance to Winn's Saloon
You look in vain for if you go elsewhere—
Besides, you take your ease in rosewood chair,
With crimson velvet cushions, or on sofas rare;
Italian marble tables, polished fine,
Invite the hungry to sit down and dine
Or sup—or in the morning break their fast;
But whether it is morn or night, a rich repast
Awaits the visitors, subject to their call; [them all
And whether five or five hundred, "Winn" can serve
Fine venison steaks, done up in Winn's best tyle,
That would from an epicurian force a smile;
Oysters serv'd up in all ways you can name;
All kinds of fowls, the wild as well as tame,
Ducks, geese and partridges, fine fat snipe and teal;
Choice mutton chops, beef steak and tender veal;
Fish of all kinds served up to suit the taste,
For each one knows which way fish suits him best;
Soups of all grades, from turtle down to pea,
But all as good as any soup can be;
Eggs, Ham and Oysters—but it would be no boast
To say no Restaurant on the Pacific coast
Can with "Winn's Fountain Head" at all compare.
If you doubt it, call in and try his bill of fare.
Winn's Pastry can't be match'd, and his Creams
Are so superior that it almost seems
Impossible such could be made by human hands,
But came direct from fabled fairy lands.
For the Christmas Holidays for girls and boys,
Winn will have ready a thousand sugar toys,
Of every kind intended to delight
The prattlers hearts and glad their joyous sight.
Let every man and woman who this may read,
Be sure to visit Winn at the "Fountain Head,"
Whose cook stands always ready to prepare
The choicest dishes ever named on Bill of Fare.

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CHARLES LUMBARD & CO.,

Offer for sale at their new store, No. 97 Battery street, a choice selection of

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS,

As can be found in California.

Families and vessels visiting stores put up are invited to call and examine our stock, consisting of every variety which we will sell on the most reasonable terms, and delivered free of charge.

fe16-tf CHARLES LUMBARD & CO

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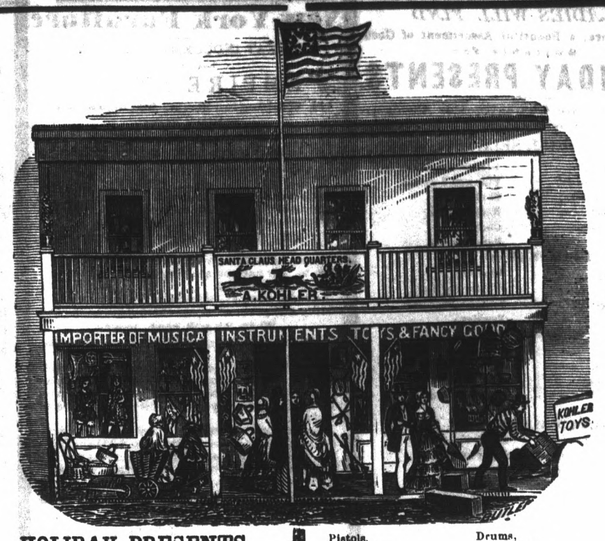

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

TOYS! TOYS! AND FANCY ARTICLES

—AT—

Santa Claus Headquarters.

☞ WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

French Propellers,	American Velocipedes,
Fancy Carriages,	Willow Cabs,
Rocking Horses,	Baby Jumpers,
Music Boxes	Bird Organs,
Fancy Baskets,	Nursery Baskets,
Magic Lanterns,	Dissected Maps,
Fancy Dusters,	Bird Cages.
Swords,	Guns,
Pistols.	Drums,
Grace Hoops,	Battledoors.
Lotos,	Fancy Cradles,
Ladies' Cabas,	Gents' Companions,
Writing Desks,	Inlaid Boxes,
Porte Folios,	Port Mennaies,
Backgammon Boards,	Mantle Vases,
Mechanical Figures,	Menageries,
Marble Links.	Marble Bureaus,
Book Cases,	Wheelbarrows,
Chessmen.	Tin Kitchens,
Musical Instruments,	Violin Strings,

Dolls, dressed and undressed, from half an inch to four feet in length; of Wax, China Rubber, etc.

BOX TOYS.

Farms,	Villages,	Furniture, etc.
China.	TEA AND COFFEE SETS. Britannia,	Wood.

Games of all kinds. Japanese Goods at cost

Ladies and Gents will not forget the place, Stockton st near Jackson.

A. KOHLER.

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CARD.

The undersigned having entered into Co-partnership under the firm of

PECK, PECKHAM & DAVIS,

For the purpose of buying and selling

Real Estate, Vessels, Stocks, &c

ON COMMISSION,

Both at Auction and Private Sale,

And for borrowing and loaning money on bond and mortgage, give notice that they have taken Salesrooms in

MONTGOMERY BLOCK,

NO. 151, WASHINGTON STREET SIDE.

Said firm pledges themselves not to purchase or sell on their own account, but to act in all cases for the best interests of those who may favor them with their patronage.

From their long residence in California, and established reputation in the above named business, they believe they have a right to expect the confidence of the public, that they are competent, and that their transactions will be in all cases conducted in a fair and honorable manner, to the satisfaction of all parties.

LEWIS PECK,
E. P. PECKHAM,
H. L. DAVIS.

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WALTER & TOMPKINS,

Excelsior!

Manufacturers and General Outfitters of the most Beautiful Styles of GENTLEMEN'S APPAREL.

No. 170 MONTGOMERY STREET,

Opposite the Metropolitan Theatre.

GO. F. WALTER takes this method to inform the citizens of San Francisco and his numerous customers, that he has REMOVED from his old store No. 114 Montgomery street, and has formed a copartnership with Mr. E. B. TOMPKINS, and will continue the manufacturing of

FINE CLOTHING,

for which he is so justly celebrated. WALTER & TOMPKINS have been appointed Sole Agents in California for Messrs. CRONEY & LENT'S New York

FASHIONABLE BROADWAY CLOTHING,

and will be in receipt by every steamer, of FRESH GOODS, selected expressly by Mr. A. LENT for this house only. Mr. L. is now in San Francisco, and will leave for New York on the steamer of the 20th instant. We would call the attention of the people of this city and the interior, that we are prepared to take measures to be made in New York, CUSTOM STYLE, at San Francisco sale prices, free of expense. Measures will be taken and Garments cut of paper and sent to the house in New York for completion. By this arrangement, every customer may be certain of having a perfect fit. It is the intention of this house to have arriving semi-monthly, new and fresh Piece Goods for COATS, PANTS and VESTS. And also, will keep a constant supply of those

BEAUTIFUL FROCK COATS,

that are acknowledged to surpass all others, both for beauty and durability. Have now on hand one of the richest stocks of

READY MADE CLOTHING

that can be found in this city. New styles of BUSINESS SUITS, Drab, Black, Blue, Gray and Silk Mixture, Ribbed and Diamond Figures, suitable for the approaching season.

N. B.—ARMY AND NAVY CLOTHING made according to the regulations.

WALTER & TOMPKINS,

NEW YORK STORE,

No. 170 Montgomery street,

mh15-tf Opposite Metropolitan Theatre.

483 ROLLS CHEAP ASSORTED

Carpets,

EX ALBONI AND GALATEA

150 Pieces Bay State and English Druggetts

500 rolls Floor Oil Cloth, new styles assorted;

250 cases Cheap Paper Hangings;

400 rolls Matting—4 4, 5-4 and 6-4, checked.

For sale at the lowest wholesale rates. Dealers are requested to examine these goods before making their selections elsewhere, as this stock must be closed off to make room for shipments overdue.

FRANK BAKER,

no17 Clay street, below Sansome

IRON! IRON! IRON!

We are now receiving the Largest and best assortment of IRON AND STEEL ever brought into this market.

OUR STOCK CONSISTS OF

Sanderson's and Naylor's Cast Steel;
American and English Bar Iron;
Swedes and Russia Bar Iron;
Norway Shoe Shapes;
Sheet Iron;
Boiler Iron;
Shutter Iron;
Wright's Solid Box Vices;
Mousehole Bellows;
Boiler Rivets;
Shutter Rivets;
Boiler Tubes;
Patch Bolts;
Griffin's Horse Nails;
Iron Axels;
Seat Springs;
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For sale by GEO. C. JOHNSON & CO.,

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Chief Engineer's Office,
City Hall, March, 29, 1854.

I hereby offer a Reward of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for the arrest and conviction of any person creating false alarms of fire

All parties are notified under penalty of the law, to desist from throwing shavings or straw, or any other combustible material in the streets.

JAMES E. NUTTMAN,
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WATCHES, JEWELRY!

—AND—

DIAMOND WORK,

At New York Prices,

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BRIGGS, DEY & CO.,

Montgomery street, Express Buildings,

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NEW YORK BAKERY

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Coffee Saloon,

160 and 162 KEARNY STREET,

between Commercial and Clay.

KAUCE & THOMPSON.....Proprietors

BILL OF FARE.

Soups.			
Oyster	12	Mutton Broth	12
Fish.			
Boiled Bass	12	Baked Salmon	12
Boiled.			
Mutton, Caper sauce	25	Corned Beef & cabbage	12
Ham	12	Pork	12
Roast.			
Beef	12	Turkey	50
Veal	12	Goose	25
Pork	12	Duck	25
Mutton	12		
Entrees.			
Baked Pork & Beans	12	Stewed Tripe	12
Baked Beef steak pie	12	Beef Hash	12
Veal Pot Pie	12	Fish Balls	12
Vegetables.			
Potatoes Fried, Baked, Boiled and Mashed			12
Turnips mashed	12	Cabbage	12
Onions Fried	12		
Puddings.			
Bread	12	Plum	12
Rice	12		
Pies.			
Mince	12	Cherry	12
Apple	12	Rhubarb	12
Peach	12	Pumpkin	12
Plum	12	Custard	12
Whortleberry	12	Cup Custard	12
Gooseberry	12	Tarts	12
Cakes.			
Plain Pound Cake	12	Boston Cream Cake	25
Jelly Cake	12	Macaroons	12
Cup Cake	12	Ladies' Fingers	12
Domestic Cake	12	Sponge Cake	12
Jumbles	12	Lady Cake	12
Sugar Cake	12	Citron Cake	12
Ginger Nuts	12	Currant Cake	12
Molasses Pound Cake	12	Ginger Snaps	12
Dough Nuts	12	Crullers	12
Bread, Rolls, Etc.			
Hot English muffins			25
Hot Waffles			25
Breakfast Rolls	12	Bread and Milk	12
French do	12	Mush and Milk	12
Tea Biscuit	12	Plate of Mush	12
Brown Bread	12	Graham Bread	12
Wheat do	12	Soda Biscuit	12
Coffee, Tea or Chocolate			12
To Order.			
Porter House Steak	50	Ham and Eggs	37
Tender Loin	37	Omelette	25
Beef steak plain	25	Eggs, boil'd or fried each	12
Pork do do	25	Oyster stew	50
Veal Cutlet	25	Oyster fritters	5
Mutton Chop	25	Buckwheat Cakes	1
Sausage fried	25	Brown Bread Toast	1
Liver sausage	12	Graham Toast	1
Ham broiled or fried	12	Dipped do	1
Tripe fried	25	Milk do	1
Mackerel, boiled or broil'd	25	Dry do	1
Fried mush	12		

N. B.—Breakfast Rolls, Tea Biscuit, or White or Graham Bread will be given with a cup of tea or coffee, without extra charge.

Also, Potatoes and Bread with Steaks and Roast Meats, without extra charge. jan5-tf

REMOVAL.

WM. H. BOVEE & CO.

Have removed to their new building.

No. 123 Front Street, Corner of Oregon.

Costa Rica Coffee; Old Gov. Java, 50lb mats; Rio Coffee; Green Java Coffee, 50lb mats; Manilla Coffee, 5 lb mats; Pepper; Allspice; Cinnamon; Ginger; California Mustard; Cloves; Mace, fresh ground; in 1lb glass;

Also, Nutmegs, Cassia in mats, and all kinds of Spices in the grain.

For sale by WM. H. BOVEE & CO.

jan5 tf 123 Front st. corner Oregon.

STILL TAKES THE LEAD!

R. H. Vance

Has by the superiority of his Daguerreotypes again received the

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Although some Daguerreans have the audacity to call their room First Premium Rooms.

He has lately made such improvements in his operating rooms, arrangement of lights, etc., as will enable him to still keep the station he now holds—"AHEAD."

Mr. Vance has FOUR IMPROVED LIGHTS, all of different arrangements, which enables him to suit the light to the features and complexions of all, and gives him facilities which no other artist in the United States possesses, especially in taking Groups and Children's Likenesses. He has also secured the services of one of the

Best Photographers in the World!

And is now fully prepared to take Pictures on Glass or Paper, or Views, in any part of the city, in a manner that cannot be excelled by any.

Rooms corner of Sacramento and Montgomery Sts.

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Corn Starch Farina—200 Cases, Just received and for sale by no10 BRADSHAW & CO.

INSURANCE.

THE BRITISH

COMMERCIAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.

London and New York—Established in 1820.

Capital.....$3,000,000.

Policies Issued in San Francisco, at 1 per cent. ex. Premium.

The Board of Directors have granted powers to the undersigned, by which parties, insured in this office may have full permission to travel throughout California, to visit the States at all seasons, or to proceed either to Europe or Asia, at exceedingly liberal rates. Also to assume $10,000 on any good risk.

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LUMLEY FRANKLIN,

General Agent for California,

aug4 3m Corner Battery and Sacramento sts.

Imperial Fire Insurance Co.

LONDON.

ESTABLISHED IN 1803.

Cash Capital ($8,000,000) Eight Millions.

Having been appointed Agents in California for the above old established Company, the undersigned are desirous of drawing public attention to the superior advantages afforded by insuring in this office. These arise from the fact that the Agents of this Company are vested with full powers to grant policies, and to settle losses at once, and without being obliged to forward the papers to England for approval.

The Imperial Fire Insurance Company, having for many years had Agencies established in India, China, Manilla, etc., have had great experience in foreign business, and the instructions received from the Head Office evince a spirit of liberality which will be appreciated by the inhabitants of San Francisco

The undersigned will be happy to supply insurers with full particulars, upon application at their office.

FAULKNER, BELL & CO.,

a14 126 California street

Monarch Fire Assurance Co.,

OF LONDON.

Office of San Francisco Agency, 126 California Street.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS FUND $2,900,000

SPECIAL FUND - - - - $150,000,

[Held by Trustees in New York to meet Losses.]

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Brick and Stone Buildings, Merchandise, Ships in Port, Household Furniture and Personal Property generally, insured on favorable terms. Insurance also effected on buildings and Merchandise in Sacramento, Marysville and Stockton.

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Northern Assurance Company.

FOR FIRE AND LIFE.

CAPITAL,.....$6,000,000.

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Aberdeen, Glasgow.

Directors in London.

CHAIRMAN—The Right Hon Lord Ernest Bruce, M. P.
John Abercrombie Esq., Thomas N. Farquhar,
Geo. S Anderson. Charles R. McGregor.

Buildings and Merchandise Insured on liberal terms. Losses adjusted and settled by the undersigned, Agents of the Company. SMITH BROTHERS & CO.,

je16 cor. of California and Battery streets.

FIRE INSURANCE.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY,

Of Liverpool and London.

Capital Ten Million of Dollars!!

The undersigned, Agents in California for the above named company, are prepared to issue Policies. Insuring brick buildings or merchandise stored therein, household furniture, &c., and are authorized to settle all losses HERE.

The amount of the capital of this company, viz:—

TEN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS!

which would be immediately available to meet any unforseen calamity; the well-known character of its Directors; the high respectability of its Proprietors; and the standing which it takes among the large Insurance Establishments enable it to rank with the most eligible offices now in existence, either in Europe or America with respect to the advantages offered to the public.

The Company will ever distinguish itself by its "promptness in the settlement of claims."

Parties desirous to effect Insurance will be furnished with all necessary information by

McKINLAY, GARRIOCH & CO.,

California street,

de29 Corner of Leidesdorff street

Northern Assurance Company,

FOR FIRE AND LIFE.

Established in 18 6, and Incorporated by Special Act of Parliament.

Capital,.....$6,300,000

The Policies of this Company are not only guaranteed by a large Capital, but also by the unlimited personal responsibility of more than 900 shareholders.

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Buildings, and Merchandise in buildings and storeships insured on liberal terms.

The undersigned, Agents for the company in California, are instructed to make immediate settlement upon any loss or damage by fire sustained by the insured.

SMITH BROTHERS & CO.,

Corner California and Battery streets.

The rates for Insurance from fire have been considerably reduced as this Agency. fe16

NEW YORK BAKERY,

KEARNY ST., NEAR CLAY.

The above establishment is now greatly enlarged and improved by the addition of what was formerly known as "Winn's Fountain Head." Having been newly fitted up for the accommodation of ladies and gentlemen, they are now prepared to serve Steaks, Chops and Meats of all kinds in the best manner, and at prices to suit the times. The Baking Department is likewise conducted on an enlarged scale, to meet the increased demand. All making Christmas and New Year's Presents, are especially invited to give us a call on account of the great reduction in prices.

Fruit and Pound Cake Iced and Ornamented in the very best style. KAUCE & THOMPSON,

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Jute Matting, Door Matting, &c.

Invoices just received, per 'Hornet,' and for sale low at wholesale or retail by

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House and Ship Plumbing, and Metallic Roofing in all its variety, done with neatness and dispatch. Artesian Well Pipes made to order. Constantly on hand, a large assortment of Pumps, Lead Pipe, Stoves, Stove Pipe, Tin Ware, etc., etc., wholesale and retail. 29-3m

BEEF,

Elihu Burrit, the learned blacksmith, says:—I love to see one of those creatures, with sinews of brass and muscles of iron, strut forth from his stable, and saluting the long train of cars with a dozen sonorous puffs from his iron nostrils, fall back gently into his harness. There he stands, champing and foaming upon the iron track, his great heart a furnace of glowing coals, his lymphatic blood is boiling in his veins, the strength of a thousand horses is nerving his sinews—he pants to be gone. He could "shake" St. Peter's across the desert of Sahara, if he could be fairly hitched to it; but there is a little, sober-eyed tobacco-chewing man in the saddle, who holds him with one finger, and can take away his breath in a moment, should he grow restive or vicious. I am always deeply interested in this man, for, begrimed as he may be with coal, diluted in oil and steam, I regard him as the genius of the whole machinery—as the physical mind of that huge steam horse."

AN EPITAPH.—The editor of the Burlington *Recorder* bears witness that he recently discovered in a flourishing city on the line of the New Jersey Railroad, a grave-yard in which stood a tombstone, on which was inscribed by weeping friends the following touching and simple, ye exquisitely poetic epitaph:

"HE WAS A GOOD EGG"

The *Recorder* at once proceeded to gild gold by composing the following addition:

"Tread lightly o'er this neat we beg,
Or else, perhaps, you'll smash the egg"

Some evenings since at one of the theatres while an "eminent" was doing up in the usual butcher-block style, the character of Macbeth, one of the favorite points was, to speak metaphorically, "knocked into a cocked hat." When he had struggled, like a fish out of water, through to the passage, "We will proceed no further in this business," a tall, lank Jerseyman arose in the parquette, and placing his "kow-sooth" upon his head, exclaimed, "I'm blamed glad on't; for sich bad actin' I never did see!"

A gentleman ordered a rocking chair, which was received by his wife, a lady precise in her speech, when sent to his residence. Upon making trial of the chair, the gentleman expressed his great satisfaction with it, when his wife remarked, "The man said its equilibrium was very accurately adjusted."

"Did he really say that—those very words?" inquired the husband.

"Why no, not exactly," replied the lady; he said it *"joggled just right."*

BE TRUE HEARTED.—The clouds must gather—there is no escaping. The storm must come—there is no avoiding. But take courage—*be true*—true only to your own convictions of right, let come what may—friends prove false or true. You will be recompensed, for even on earth there comes a reward to the earnest worker and true-hearted.

"Have you read my last speech?" said a prosy M. C. to a friend. "I hope so," was the satisfactory reply.

JEWELRY.

EXTRA HEAVY AND
FINE GOLD GUARD CHAINS
Just received by the
STEAMER "GOLDEN AGE,"
At BRIGGS, DEY & CO.
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JULES JURGENSEN'S
GENUINE COPENHAGEN WATCHES,
Of all styles of Movement,
Just received and for sale by BRIGGS, DEY & CO.
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The above celebrated Watches
Suitable for Ladies,
To be found at BRIGGS, DEY & CO.
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WATCHES & CHRONOMETERS
Repaired and Cleaned, by an experienced workman, and guaranteed, by
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IMPORTATION! IMPORTATION!
Briggs, Dey & Co. are prepared to import every description of goods in their line, on short notice, and as low as any other house in San Francisco.
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Of every size and style, with Mandolin and Bell Attachments, and selections of music from Operas, National Airs, Polkas, Waltzes, etc. For sale by
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Taken for any description of Watches, and forwarded to the manufacturers with dispatch.
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RAIL WAY TIME-KEEPERS.
The celebrated Wm. H. Crisp Patent Rail way Time-Keepers, or the largest size, with the maker's certificate accompanying.
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—AND—
POCKET CHRONOMETERS,
Of every style and size, certified by the manufacturer.
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SILVER! SILVER! SILVER!
Fine Silver Tea Sets—Fine Silver Breakfast Sets;
Fine silver Spoons and Forks;
Fine silver Pitchers and Goblets;
Fine silver Waiters;
Fine silver Cups;
Fine silver Knives;
Fine silver Nut Picks;
Fine silver Napkin Rings, etc.
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By all the most Celebrated English, French Swiss and Danish makers, kept constantly on hand and sold at the lowest possible prices, by
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Just arrived per Steamer "Golden Age"
A SUPERIOR ARTICLE,
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PATENT MEDICINES
CAN BE OBTAINED
AT LITTLE'P
Family Medicine Store,
127 MONTGOMERY STREET,
NEAR CLAY,
AT LOWER PRICES,
Than any other Establishment in the City.
REMEMBER THE PLACE,
LITTLE'S, 127 Montgomery st.,
Between Clay and Commercial.
We import all our Medicines direct from the makers, and sometimes personally responsible for the genuine every article we sell. jan26-1

DRS. CUSHING & BUFANI,
HOMŒOPATHIC PHYSICIANS,
No 80 Kearny Street, Between Bush & Pine.
Office hours, 8 to 10 A. M., and 4 to 6 P. M.
JOHN C. CUSHING, M. D. CHAS. S. BUFANI, M. D.
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LADIES WILL FIND
At our Store, a Beautiful Assortment of Goods Suitable for
HOLIDAY PRESENTS.
Two things we Guarantee—Our Goods are the very Newest Styles, and no house in California
CAN OR WILL SELL CHEAPER.

Roman Cameo Set;	Bracelets of all kinds;
Florentine Mosaic Sets;	Pins and Earrings;
Pearl and Coral Sets;	Chatelaines;
Plain or Chased Sets;	Neck Chains;
Crosses and Chains;	Charms;
Belt Buckles;	Pearl Crosses.

DIAMONDS—SET IN

Cluster Rings;	Bracelets;
Brooches;	Cluster Earrings;
Solitaire Rings;	Solitaire Earrings;
Crosses;	Buckles.

QUARTZ—SET IN

Cane Heads;	Crosses, very chaste;
Seals and Keys;	Ribbon Slides;
Pins and Earrings;	Cuff Pins;
Finger Rings;	Sleeve Buttons;
Studs;	Bijouterie.

SILVER WARE—SUCH AS

Cups and Coblets;	Gravy Spoons;
Sets of Knives, Forks and Spoons;	Sugar Spoons;
Ladles;	Salt Spoons;
Spoons and Forks;	Napkin Rings;
Fish Knives and Forks;	Card Baskets;
Cake Knives;	Cake Baskets;
Castors;	Tea Sets complete;
Butter Knives;	Cream Pots;
Breakfast Knives;	Tureens,
Fruit Knives;	Pitchers;
Thimbles;	Match Boxes;
Salvers;	Cigar Cases;
Children's Rattles;	Bar Spoons;
Toilet Cases;	Card Cases;
Butter Dishes;	Port Monnaies;
Bar Mixers and Strainers;	Fruit Stands.

WATCHES—OF

ENGLISH MANUFACTURE:	FRENCH MANUFACTURE
Magic Cased;	Magic Cased;
Heavy Cased Levers;	Enamelled;
Chronometers;	Diamond Set;
Duplexes;	Small Lapines.

ALSO—A great many articles not enumerated.
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THE CHEAPEST
WOOD AND COAL YARD
IN THE CITY.
CHARLES GALLAGHER, respectfully informs the public that he has opened a
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ON WASHINGTON street, between Drumm and Front, where he intends to keep a varied assortment of COAL.
He has at present—
West Hartly,
Scotch Splint,
Lackawana,
Cumberland, [in casks.]
Bellingham Bay,
Coose Bay,
&c., &c., &c.
The WOOD YARD is supplied with the best article of WOOD brought to this market.
Attached to the Yard is a saw run by steam, by which customers can have the wood cut at any lengths at the shortest notice. Orders for the above solicited.
Wood or Coal delivered to any part of the city, cart free. mh29-tf

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—BY—
J. W. TUCKER,
AT 125 MONTGOMERY STREET,
—The following:—
Diamond Crosses; Diamond Ear-Rings;
Diamond Finger-Rings;
Diamond Watches; Diamond Necklaces, &c.
WATCHES OF ALL KINDS.
Gold Cups; Gold Spoons;
TEA AND DINNER SILVER SETS made of the purest silver, and of the latest patterns.
A fine collection of CAMEO and MOSAIC Pins, Ear Rings and Bracelets. Also—a fine assortment of Frosted Work, Bracelets, Pins and Ear Rings. Buttons, Studs, Amulet Pencils, Gold Headed Canes, etc., etc. For sale cheaper and better than can be had at any other store in California.
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Clothing! Clothing! Clothing!
We have now the largest and most desirable stock of
CLOTHING & FURNISHING GOODS,
Of any house in San Francisco,
Consisting in part of—

Black Frock Coats;	Black Dress Coats;
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Brown Frock Coats;	Olive Frock Coats;

Dahlia Frock Coats;
Black, Blue, Brown, Dublin and Olive D'Orsay Coats;
All styles of Business Coats; Business Pants;
Fancy French and English Cass. Doeskin Pants; fancy Velvet, black and fancy silk, black, blue and fancy Cassimere Vests; Buff Cassimere, Buff Marseilles, plain and figured and white silk Party Vests.
—ALSO—
Overcoats, Talmas, Davis and Jones' patented Shirts and Collars; Stocks; Cravats; Scarfs; Dejouvell's Ties; Merino and Sambs' wool Shirts and Drawers; Dress Riding Gloves; Cotton, Merino and silk Hosiery; Trunks, Carpet Bags, Clothing, &c, &c.
ALL OF WHICH WE
Offer at Reduced Prices, to meet the Times.
By manufacturing our own Goods we are enabled to warrant every garment, and we invite one and all, before purchasing elsewhere, to give us a call, for we are determined to give satisfaction, as regards quality and price
GOLDEN GATE CLOTHING WAREHOUSE,
Cor. Clay and Kearny sts. opposite the Post Office.
KEYES & CO.
Our store will be closed after 12 o'clock on Saturday night, until Monday morning. K. & Co.
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HENRY G. GIANNINI,
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Fancy Baker and Confectioner,
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Opening of the Great Plaza Market, on TUESDAY, January 29th, corner of Clay and Kearny streets.
Concentration of all the Market Business of San Francisco in One Large Central Market.
The inhabitants of this city have long needed a central and commodious Market, where they could obtain all the necessaries of life in one convenient place. The Plaza Market is the large brick building formerly used as the Post Office, and was opened on the above day, by the best Butchers, best Vegetable Men, best Butter Dealers and Game Men, from the Washington, Pacific and New World Markets. All of the occupants have been at an enormous expense to fit up their stalls superior to any in the city. We invite all the ladies of San Francisco to call and take a look at the most magnificent Market ever erected on the Pacific Coast. feb1-1m

CHEAP PRINTS.
About six hundred different kinds—very pretty
At the
Noisy Carrier's Book and Stationery Company,
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New York Furniture
GREAT INDUCEMENT TO BUY
—AT THE—
EMPIRE STORE
134 Washington Street, just below Montgomery Street.
BRYANT, ELLIS & WINEGAR,
HAVE RECENTLY CONNECTED THEIR house with one of the OLDEST and BEST manufacturing establishments in New York city, who are constantly supplying them by every clipper with every style and quality of the choicest kinds of
CUSTOM MADE FURNITURE.
As we manufacture our own goods, we are to offer to our patrons a saving of one per cent from 10 to 20 per cent.
And also warrant entire satisfaction as to ability and price, as we are offering goods
20 to 25 per cent. lower
than the same style and quality have heretofore been sold.
Those who will favor us with a call will find a splendid, full and varied stock of Parlor, Chamber Dining and Office Furniture, and not the poor auction stuff which is generally sent to this market. Remember that!
Also, a good assortment of Gilt and Mahogany Frame Looking-Glasses eight day and 30 hour Clocks, Hair, Moss, and Straw Mattresses, Feather and Hair Pillows, Sheets, Pillow-cases, Counterpanes, Comforters Blankets, &c. &c,
Please call at No. 134 Washington street before purchasing and judge for yourselves.
G. W. BRYANT & CO.
Resident Partners New York:
CHAS. IRVING & STEPHEN CLARK,
No 347 Third Avenue,
manufacturers and wholesale dealers in Cabinet Furniture
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M. C. ELLIS,
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ENORMOUS SACRIFICE
—IN—
FURNITURE!!
FOR FORTY DAYS.
HAVING NOW IN STORE—
$150,000 Worth of Furniture,
together with a purchase of $50,000 worth of stock of parties here, at less than home cost, we now offer to our friends and customers,
OUR ENTIRE STOCK,
At such Low Prices as to defy all Competition.
We mean precisely what we advertise, that we
Can and will sell Cheaper than any other Store in the City or State!
Our stock consists of—
Rosewood Sets, with Kitchen and Dining Room Furniture, in Great Variety.
THIRTY THOUSAND CHAIRS!!
Bedding and Beds of every description.
To particularize and describe our stock would require one half of a newspaper, but having
An Enormous Stock,
and at the same time paying storage on much of it, we are
DETERMINED TO SELL IT,
And reduce our expenses, and we solicit the public to give us a call in every instance before purchasing elsewhere.
HOWES & CO.,
Nos. 180 and 182 Montgomery st.,
se22-3m And 77 K st., Sacramento.

NOW IS YOUR TIME!!
200,000
STOCK OF
FURNITURE!
In store and afloat, which must be closed off before the 1st of January next.
GEO. O. WHITNEY & CO.,
California street, corner Hildebrandt.
Also—SACRAMENTO CITY, corner of K and Fourth streets. se22-tf

California Steam Navigation Co.
Departure from Pacific Wharf,
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.
OCTOBER, 1st, 1855.
STEAMER NEW WORLD, Capt Sam'l Seymour.
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STEAMER CONFIDENCE,
STEAMER WILSON G. HUNT,
STEAMER HELEN HENSLEY,
Capt. E. C. M. Chadwick.
STEAMER J BRAGDON, Captain Thos. Seeley.
STEAMER URILDA, Capt E Z Clark.
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One of the above Steamers will leave Jackson Street Wharf every day at 4 o'clock P M, (Sundays excepted), for
Sacramento and Stockton,
Connecting with light draft Steamers for
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For further particulars enquire at the office of the company, corner Jackson and Front streets.
SAM J. HENSLEY President

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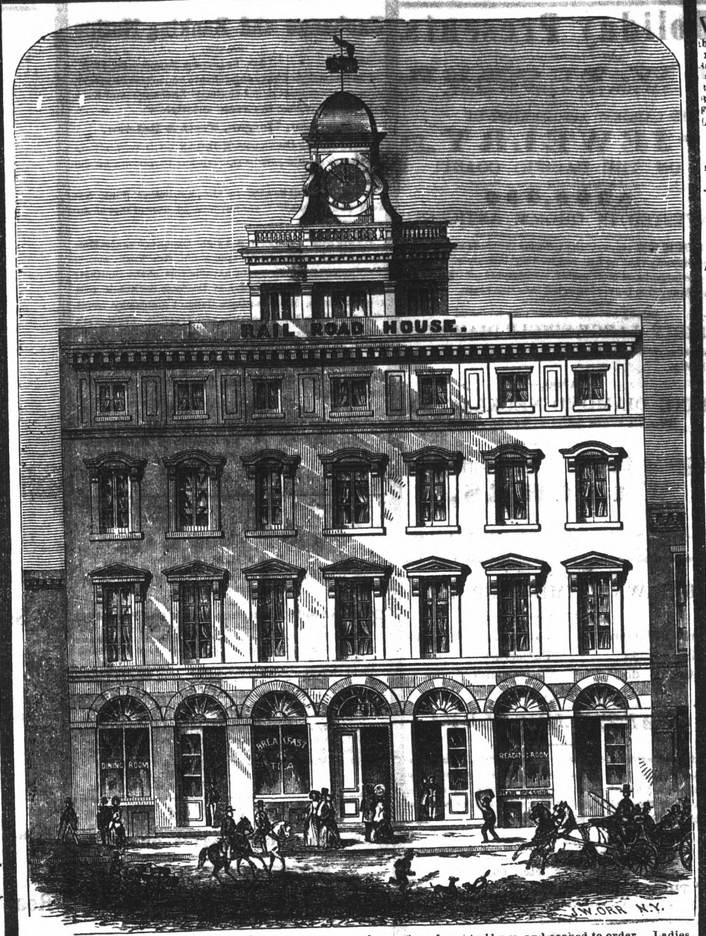

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SOUPS.

Chicken	12	Tomato	12
Mock Turtle	12	Julien	12
Fox Soup	12	Oyster	25
Vegetables	12	Boston Chowder	12
Bean	12	Clam	15

FISH.

Salmon boiled	12	Rock Cod Anchovy sauce	12
Bass, Anchovy sauce	12	Tom Cods fried	12
Salt Codfish boiled	12	Smelts fried	12
Salt Mackerel boiled	12	Salmon	12
		do smoked	12

BOILED

Mutton, mint sauce	12	Chicken, Oyster sauce	50
Lamb,	12	Mutton and turnips	12
Corned Beef & Cabbage	12	Rabbitt, parsley sauce	25
" Pork	12	Cold Ham	12
Mutton caper sauce,	25	Calves Head, brain sauce,	12

ROASTS.

Beef	12	Turkey	50
Veal	12	Chicken	50
Pork	12	Mutton stuffed a la jardiniere	25
Duck	37	Lamb do do	25
Teal	37	Pig	12
Goose	37	Mutton	12
Brant	37		
Venison, Cranberry sauce			25
Beef, sirloin roast and jelly,			25
Vegetables of all kinds			12

ENTREES.

Broiled Chicken	75	Chicken Pie	37
do Quail	50	do Pot Pie	37
Chicken Fricassee	50	Beef Steak Pie	12
Chick Curry & Rice	37	Veal Pot Pie	19
Lamb and Peas,	25	Kidney Pie	25
Salmi Duck	25	Rabbit Pie	25
Ham Pie	25	Bird Pie	25
Oysters fried	25	Giblet Pie	25
Salmon baked	12	Game Pie	25
Corn & Beans baked	12	Rabbit Fricassee	25
Pigs Head stewed	12	Kidney stewed	25
Sm'thered Duck & onions	25	Beef Tongue & Tomato's	25

ENTREES.

Stewed Birds	25	Calves Head	12
Stewed Giblets	25	Calves Head Hash	12
Potted Pigeon	25	Calves Feet fricasseed	12
Pork and Beans	12	Pigs Head & spinage	12
Corn'd Beef & parsnips	12	Pigs Head and parsnips	12
Bacon & spinage	12	Brain Fritters	12
Lamb's Heart and Toes	12	String Beans	12
matoes	12	Sweet Potatoes	12
Beef stewed and onions	12		

PUDDINGS.

Bread	12	Indian	12
Rice	12	N Y Plum	12
Tapioca	12	Plum	12
Suet	12	Apple Dumplings	12
Railroad	12		

PIES.

Cranberry or Gooseberry	12	Green Apple	12
Cherry or Quince	12	Green Rhubarb	12
Peach or Plum	1	Mince	12
Fruit	12	Apple	12
California Peach	12	Custard or Squash	12
Cup Custard	12		

DESSERT.
Apple, Cranberry and other Sauces and Jellies 12
Cakes of all kinds 12

BREAKFAST AND SUPPER.

Steak, Porter House	50	Cutlets, Veal	25
Steak, Tenderloin	3	Cutlets, Mutton	25
Steak, Spanish style	37	Chop Mutton	25
Steak, Plain	25	Chop, Lamb	25
Steak, Pork	25	Liver and Pork, fried	12
Steak, Venison	25	Fish fried	12
Ham broiled or fried	25	Tripe stewed	12
Clams in batter	37	Beef stewed and onions	12
Tripe in batter	25	Veal stewed	12
Tripe broiled	25	Mutton stewed	12
Salmon broiled	25	Pork Sausages	25
Ham and Eggs	37	Fish Balls	12
Eggs poached	25	Beef Hash	12
Omelette	25	Pigs Feet soused	25
Eggs, fresh, each	12	Pigs Feet in batter	25
Mackerel boiled or broil'd	25	Toasts of all kinds	12
Oyster Fritters	37	Apple Fritters	12
Hot Corn Bread	12	Hot corn batter cakes	12
Hot Tea Biscuit	12	Hot flannel cakes	12
Hot Waffles	25	Hot buckwheat cakes	12
Breakfast Rolls	12	German Rolls	12
Rice Cakes	12	French Rolls	12
Boston Cream Toast			12

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